



Media Release

# DYLAN MORAN LIVE!

SEYMOUR CENTRE – EVEREST THEATRE – FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
RIVERSIDE THEATRE PARRAMATTA – SUNDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

*'About as perfect an evening as I can recall.'* The Times (London)

**DYLAN MORAN**, creator and star of ABC TV's award-winning "**BLACK BOOKS**" and renowned stand up comedian, is coming to Sydney in April for a stand-up comedy show.

Born in Ireland in 1971, Dylan Moran left school without any qualifications when he was 16. He quickly became attracted to stand up comedy and debuted in 1992 at a comedy club in Dublin. A year later he won the Channel Four Newcomers' "**So You Think You're Funny Award**" at the Edinburgh Festival and began developing his comedy routines into a one man show for which he won the prestigious Perrier Comedy Award in 1996. His success at the Edinburgh Festival led him to performing at international stand up comedy festivals around the world.

In 2000 Channel Four commissioned Dylan for the sitcom **Black Books**. He wrote and starred in three series (six episodes in each) of this award winning television series, co-starring with popular British stand up Bill Bailey, who was also nominated for the Perrier Award the year Moran won. **Black Books** sees Moran play a character close to his stand up comedy persona; an unsociable misanthrope, reminiscent of the John Cleese character Basil Fawlty, that shares a great love of wine with one of razor sharp put downs of all things human. His character Bernard Black's often-surreal views on everyday things and on human behaviour are close to his stand up persona's view of the world.

Unpredictable, startling, bizarre, but above all brilliant and hilariously funny, **MORAN** is a master of comedy, combining his talents, as an actor, writer and performer to incredible effect. It's important not to be fooled by this gentle Irishman's unkempt appearance, benign expression and softly spoken brogue. Watching **MORAN** perform is an exhilaratingly unpredictable ride. At one moment an unexpectedly long silence has the audience in nervous suspense, then, suddenly they erupt into hysterical laughter. In the words of The London Observer; "**Dylan Moran makes you laugh so hard you have to put your head between your knees and gasp for air**".

**MORAN** has packed out audiences on both sides of the Atlantic. His recent UK tour preceded sell-out runs in New York and Los Angeles with a sensational appearance on **LETTERMAN** firmly sealing a place in the hearts of the American public.

**DYLAN** is a man whose career has meandered as much as his unfettered, whimsical monologues. Dylan starred alongside **SIMON PEGG** in the must-see blockbuster "**SHAUN OF THE DEAD**" and with **MICHAEL CAINE** and **MICHAEL GAMBON** in the film "**THE ACTORS**". He played **RUFUS** in "**NOTTING HILL**", achieved critical acclaim in **SIMON NYE'S** comedy drama "**HOW DO YOU WANT ME?**" and is about to hit the big screen as **DR SLOP** in the highly-anticipated **MICHAEL WINTERBOTTOM** movie "**A COCK AND BULL STORY**".

**DYLAN MORAN** is effortlessly comfortable in the medium of stand-up. In this guise he takes you on an unpredictable journey that shifts fluidly from surreal fantasy to acerbic observation via linguistic gymnastics and flashes of the sublime. The effect is overwhelmingly funny and unforgettable.

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### **BIG LAUGH COMEDY FESTIVAL**

**Venue:** Seymour Centre Everest Theatre

**Address:** Corner of City Road and Cleveland Streets Chippendale

**Date:** Friday April 7

**Time:** 8.00pm

**Bookings:** Ticketek 132 849 [www.ticketek.com.au](http://www.ticketek.com.au) / Seymour Box Office 9351 7940

**Ticket Prices:** \$43.50

**Venue:** Riverside Theatre, Riverside Theatres

**Address:** Corner Church and Market Streets, Parramatta

**Date:** Sunday April 9

**Time:** 7.30pm

**Bookings:** Bookings 8839 3399 or [www.biglaughcomedyfestival.com.au](http://www.biglaughcomedyfestival.com.au)

**Ticket Prices:** \$43.50

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